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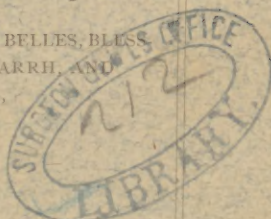
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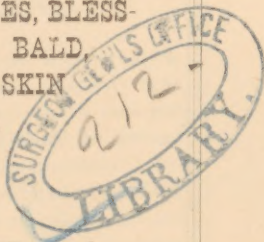
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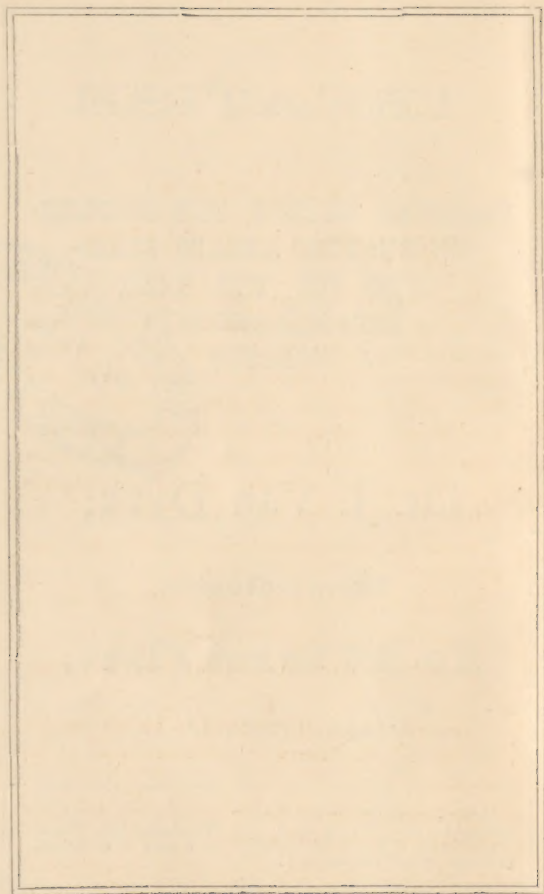
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PERSONAL BEAUTY.

From the earliest ages personal beauty has received the highest tribute from man ; has ever been an interesting theme for the poet, and a universal subject of song and praise ; it has caused the rise and fall of empires, and has led armies to victory. Personal beauty is one of woman's sweetest charms and receives due homage—the man of culture, science and learning ; the untutored savage and innocent child, all acknowledge and bow to its influence.

Plato—Declares personal beauty to be a privilege of nature.

Homer—That it were a glorious gift of nature.

Ovid—Calls it a gift of the God's.

Domnition--Wrote that nothing were more grateful.

Aristotle—Affirmed that personal beauty was better than all the letters of recommendation in the world.

McCauly—Asserted that the most lovely object ever created was a beautiful woman.

There is scarcely anything in woman's history more touching than the homage paid to beauty by those who have it not. Women of genius are the first to lay the crown of womanhood on the head of the most beautiful. Beauty is not a matter of youth, for women well up in the thirties can well dispute the palm with a girl of seventeen. It is a woman's privilege to be beautiful. She is expected to appear as fresh, pretty and attractive, as possible, and should use every means in her power to cultivate, improve and to preserve her charms. Ladies should be as careful of, and pay as strict attention to the treatment of the complexion as they do to their teeth. In Europe we meet well-preserved matrons of sixty and seventy years of age with complexions of such freshness, purity and beauty that when you learn their ages you can scarcely credit it. This freshness, beauty and remarkable preservation of their personal charms is due to the fact that from earliest life they are taught the importance of the care and treatment of the complexion and hair, and they consult the Dermatologist without the least hesitancy, knowing that Dermatology is a purely legitimate and scientific profession.

The chief attributes of personal beauty and female loveliness are a fresh, pure, clear, peerless and beautiful complexion, thick, heavy, vigorous and luxuriant hair; heavy, uniform, regular eyebrows; elongated and fascinating eyelashes; soft, smooth, white and pretty hands. Their attention, care, management,

preservation and treatment are indicative of neatness, taste, cleanliness and refinement.

Ladies of America as a rule, have poor complexions; they fade early and lose their freshness and beauty at the age when they should be the most lovely. It is a rare thing to see one of our countrywomen past thirty-five years of age, who has a really beautiful complexion. This is due to the exacting demands of fashionable society. Late hours, excessive use of highly seasoned food, insufficient exercise, and worst of all, the indiscriminate use of cosmetics, beautifying powders, philters and lotions. Remember, ladies, it is impossible for you to use cosmetics, paint the cheeks and lips, pencil the eyebrows and lashes without it being detected and detested. What gentlemen admire is a clear fresh and natural complexion. Every sensible woman has a desire to look as well as she can and a perfect horror of growing old. Then in so important a feature as your complexion and hair, you should never rely on your own judgment nor use any cosmetics, paints or enamels, but should consult the Dermatologist at once.



Complexion Blemishes.

ACNE.

SYMPTOMS—Acne is an inflammatory affection of the Sebaceous Follicles (The Pores) of the forehead, cheeks, nose and sometimes the shoulders and neck. The characteristic features are pimples, flesh worms and hard white tubercles. The majority of adults have or have had some form of Acne on the face, back or shoulders. Some have it on the face entirely. Appears in one person on the forehead or cheek in the form of small red pimples, which may disappear in a month and return in periodical regularity. In another patient the pimples may supurate (Fester) and form yellow or white Pustules. These may increase in number by the appearance of new ones before the old ones disappear. Month after month the skin becomes more and more thickened until the disease becomes chronic, and disfiguring; deep pits are often caused by these pustules, which mars the complexion for life. It is frequently complicated with an oily, greasy condition of the skin, especially of the nose. It affects both sexes. There is no skin disease which proves a greater advantage of true Dermatological skill, to detect the cause and to carry the case to a successful termination, and preserve the freshness, the fineness and brilliancy of the complexion, which is the pride of man and the glory of woman.

COMEDONES.

COMEDONES.—Comedo is an affection of the Sebaceous Glands (the pores of the skin,) occurring alone or associated with acne. It consists of an excessive secretion of a white Sebaceous cheese-like substance in the pore, which becomes hardened and fills the pore as with a plug, and is capped with a black speck. Is commonly observed on the forehead, nose and cheeks. The pores of the nose, numerous and naturally large, in this affection, numbers of white thread-like plugs of sebum an eighth of an inch or more in length, exude upon pressure. These black heads affect both sexes, and are exceedingly annoying to a refined, sensitive person. They are unsightly and are associated with the idea of uncleanliness.

LIVER SPOTS.

LIVER SPOTS are dark brownish, dirty muddy looking spots on the forehead, extending in many cases to the margin of the hair; is also seen on the upper part of the cheeks, and often on the back of the hands (resembling large freckles.) Liver spots are nearly always associated with a general sallowness of the face. A peculiar form of this affection appears on the neck. A lady will notice that the front or sides of the neck appear sallow or slightly yellowish, sometimes has the appearance of a dirt stain, which extends and increases until the entire neck is

dark and noticeably discolored. This cutaneous blemish gives the complexion a dark, muddy, dull appearance, which is very annoying. Liver spots affect ladies mostly between the ages of 20 and 40, and occur in all degrees of discoloration, from a marked liver spot to a light sallowness and muddiness of the complexion. This is one of the most annoying complexion discolorations, and is certain to mar the most beautiful complexion. Dr. Van Dyck has the most marked success in the cure of liver spots and sallowness. His treatment removes all discolorations and imparts a clearness, freshness and brilliancy to the complexion that is perfectly charming.

FRECKLES (SUN KISSES.)

FRECKLES are discolored spots on the face neck, shoulders, arms and hands, which are too familiar to every one to require a general description. There are summer freckles, spring and winter freckles. Some are very dark and numerous, making the face look quite dark. They are very disfiguring in many cases. Dr. Van Dyck removes freckles by a purely original method. He not only removes the freckles, but he makes the skin firm, so that the patient will never be so liable to freckles afterwards.

STIPPLED SKIN.

STIPPLED SKIN.—This is the term used to describe the skin when the pores on the nose and cheeks become coarse and deep. The skin looks as

a pin has been stuck into it and withdrawn, leaving the orifice open. This is often caused by the use of powders and cosmetics containing heavy mineral substances, by prostrating illness, &c.

EYEBROWS AND EYELASHES.

There is more beauty in a pair of well kept eyebrows and full, sweeping eyelashes than people are aware of; and a very unattractive and lusterless eye assumes new beauty when it looks from beneath elongated and bewitching fringes. In oriental countries this is indeed considered one of the most distinguishing marks of beauty, and a lady's eyelashes are considered to be worthless if not long and drooping.

DR. VAN DYCK has paid especial attention to the treatment of the eyebrows and lashes, and it is surprising what a marvelous change his treatment produces.

THE HANDS.

A soft, white, smooth, shapely and pretty hand is a rare adjunct to Personal Beauty. Some ladies hands become shriveled, dry, harsh, and the palm is hard, calloused, and unyielding, so much so that they almost dread to shake hands. In other cases they become red, and have the appearance of incessant hard work. Fashionable ladies are frequently and exceedingly distressed by this annoying condition of

the hands, and will frequently exclaim : Just look at them, one would imagine that I was using the broom or doing housework daily, while I don't have a thing to do. This can all be scientifically overcome, by **Dematological treatment.**

Under certain circumstances the complexion becomes troublesome and annoying, the skin gets red and inflamed one time, at another time it becomes harsh, dry and scaly, the lips get dry and colorless. In such a case it requires prompt professional treatment, and you should consult a Dermatologist at once, you should never rely on your own judgment for you are liable to permanently ruin your complexion.

Bearded Belles.

Of all the unsightly, masculine and annoying afflictions which mar the Personal Beauty of woman, superfluous hair certainly is the most noticeable and **unattractive.**

Superfluous Hair.

Is an excessive and unnatural growth of hair on the female face, seen most conspicuously on the upper lip, chin, throat, cheeks and brow. Also, grows superfluous on the hands, arms and from moles, scars and birth marks. This is indeed, one of the most unsightly, noticeable, and distressing of all complexion blemishes, in fact often increases to such an extent as to become a real deformity. To a sensitive, refined lady, it is almost unbearable. It is sure to attract attention and to excite remarks; your most intimate friends will take the liberty to ridicule or sympathize with you and will jocosely suggest the advisability of shaving or exhibiting yourself as a bearded woman. Any lady thus afflicted (for it certainly is a serious affliction) deserves all the sympathy and consolation that she can receive. Ladies with this superfluous growth of hair on the face are exceedingly sensitive about it, imagining that every one who sees them comments on their appearance), and nothing annoys them more than to have any one, even their most intimate friends remind them of their hirsutical blemish. Dr. Van Dyck has often had ladies call on him to have Superfluous Hair removed who had preserved their humiliating secret so well by extracting the hairs almost daily that no member of their family were aware of it. Ladies of all ages—14 to extreme old age, blondes and brunettes large and small, stout and thin—are liable to have superfluous

hair, some have a very generous general development of hair—heavy suits of hair, heavy eyebrows and lashes and a liberal growth on the limbs—whilst others will have a vigorous growth of hair on the face and very little on the head. Brunettes and those living in southern climates are possibly more likely to be afflicted than northern blondes, as the heat of the climate develops the hair follicles more profusely. The hair of brunettes, being dark, is more noticeable in nearly every case of superfluous hair. The lady afflicted has no one to blame but herself. It is natural for every young girl to have a growth of fine, downy hair upon the face—a few fine hairs, most frequently at the upper corners of the mouth or on either side of the chin, grow possibly a little longer than the others, which is the least bit annoying, and thoughtlessly and through ignorance of the results she pulls them out, and is exceedingly surprised and annoyed to find, in a short, they have returned and show the least bit plainer. Again they are extracted, and this time a few of the other fine hairs are pulled out with them. Probably a few months elapses when she is shocked to see that these hairs are now thicker, heavier, darker, and more numerous. Then soon some friend, through sympathy or spite, calls her attention to the fact that she is raising a mustache or beard, and finally, the growth has increased to such an extent that she must extract them almost daily to be at all presentable, and is horrified to realize that she has

brought on herself a life-time blemish. Hundreds of ladies when they read this article will say that was my case exactly. Oh! if I had let it alone and never had touched it. Some increase the growth by picking at their face unconsciously during extreme illness. Dr. Van Dyck is treating a case of a lady who passed through a stage of grief and anxiety, and from mental excitement she would sit and unconsciously pluck at the hair down on her lips and chin, and the result has been a growth of hair that would put to blush the hirsutical efforts of many a gentleman past twenty one. Few people have any idea of its prevalence. It is seen in the drawing room, on the street, and wherever ladies congregate. In nearly every museum of living curiosities a bearded woman figures as one of the chief attractions. In nearly every large city there are hundreds of ladies thus afflicted, and were the secrets of the boudoir known we would be surprised at the large number of ladies who are adepts in the use of the razor. The most barbarous methods have been resorted to in order to remove this obnoxious growth of hair. Thus the hot pitch plasters, irritating depillatories, caustic acids, the tweezers, scissors and razor—some singe the hairs off with lighted tapers. There is a case on record where a wealthy woman traveled from city to city consulting the eminent surgeons, and offered them a fabulous sum to induce them to flay the lower part of her face—that is, to have the skin completely dissected from her chin—on account.

of superfluous hair. She preferred the hideous deformity of the unsightly scar, resulting from such an operation, to the bitter humiliation of being termed a bearded woman. To the credit of the profession be it said that she failed in her efforts.

Cases differ very much in the quantity of hair. Some merely have a few on the cheeks or chin; others have a heavy growth on the upper lip—in many cases they appear on the sides of the chin, and possibly a few in the upper corners of the mouth, whilst others have a universal growth over the entire face. Many ultra fashionable society ladies, actresses, public signers, &c., have the hair singed from the arms or removed with depilatory powders, until a thick, heavy growth of bristly hair is the result. Lucille Weston and Charlotte Cushman were both thus afflicted. History teaches us that bearded women attracted public attention ages ago, and for several hundred years it has baffled the skill, science and research of the most learned and scientific of the medical profession to discover or invent a remedy or operation by which it could be permanently removed; and it was only until a few years ago that the problem was solved. It was discovered that by the application of the galvanic current to the hair follicle the root of the hair could be forever destroyed. The operation was performed by extracting the hair first and then inserting a fine needle into the opening of the hair tube. This was not practicable.

The operation was improved on by inserting the needle alongside of the hair, which proved to be satisfactory and effectual.

DR. VAN DYCK, Dermatologist, No. 22 Grant Place, (between 9th and 10th and G and H streets), is most happy to announce that he permanently and forever removes Superfluous Hair by the operation of Electrolysis (the Electric Needle process.) It is a positive fact recognized by the medical profession, that this is the only method in the world by which this obnoxious growth of hair can be permanently destroyed. Now, ladies, if you are afflicted with this masculine deformity, don't neglect it another day. Stop the use of your tweezers, scissors or razor, and call on DR. VAN DYCK, Dermatologist, at once, and make an engagement for treatment. There is now no excuse for any lady to allow a growth of hair to grow on her face, to mar her personal beauty, and to make herself and friends unhappy. DR. VAN DYCK has probably performed this operation more frequently than any operator in America: he has improved the method of application, and his battery and instruments are the most perfect ever manufactured for the purpose.

The operation of Electrolysis for the permanent removal of superfluous hair is one of the most brilliant achievements of science of the last decade of ten years. Heretofore there was positively no permanent relief for this unnatural facial hairiness.

When consulted for it, physicians would inform their patients that they could only offer temporary relief and would suggest the use of the tweezers, scissors, depillatories or razor as palliatives. Now, thanks to the Discovery of an American Dermatologist, it is in the power of every lady to have their faces as completely free from hair as that of an infant. Dr. Van Dyck, the author of this Treatise permanently and forever removes superfluous hair by the operation of Electrolysis the Electric needle process. The operation of Electrolysis (the Electric needle process) is one of the finest and most delicate operations of modern surgery the instruments used are almost microscopical in fineness. In order to successfully perform this operation one must be a surgeon and be familiar with the anatomy and physiology of the skin so as to be familiar with the structure, formation and direction of the hair follicles, must have a keen eye a steady hand and nerves of steel. Ladies thus afflicted are particularly cautioned against placing their cases in the hands of unprofessional and unskillful operators, who because they have some knowledge of electricity, pretend to operate and are liable to mark your face for life. Dr. Van Dyck has brought this operation to a state of perfection very seldom obtained by an operator. He has in all probability successfully performed this operation more frequently than any Living Dermatologist, and he can guarantee a thorough removal of every hair. Can I be permanently cured, Doctor? is a question so frequently

asked by ladies. Dr. Van Dyck can positively assert that every case of superfluous hair can be permanently cured as sure as that the sun shines by day and the moon shines by night. This is a complexion blemish which no lady has now any excuse for having. You owe it to yourselves and friends to have it removed, and this can be done by Electrolysis and by no other method in the world. From 30 to 50 hairs can be removed at each sitting. This operation requires the presence of the patient at the office of the operator.



BALDNESS

POSITIVELY CURED

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MEN WOMEN AND CHILDREN TREATED.

If your hair is thin, harsh, dry, split, faded or prematurely gray from illness, mental cares, grief anxiety, excessive or constant brain work, or from any specific cause, a course of this treatment will rejuvenate your hair for years to come.

The Hair.

ITS ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY.

The hair grows from a tube like pore of the skin; consists of the body of the hair; the root or germ is governed by certain physiological and pathological laws, and plays a very important part in our health, comfort, happiness and vanity; is subject to periodical falling off or shedding, and is subject to various diseases which affects its vitality and color. It is a scalp covering provided by nature to perform certain functions. It supplies warmth, protects the brain, nerves and blood vessels beneath it from external injuries and from sudden changes of temperature, besides which it is one of the most distinguishing marks of personal beauty, and one, too, which is admired and appreciated by all. The young lady whose hair grows to her waist thick as one's wrist, when tightly bound possesses a dowry (provided by nature) which will have no little influence in the incidents of her life. A beautiful suit of hair is the pride of man and the glory of woman; and every one who has the least regard for their personal appearance should pay the strictest attention to its care, management, cultivation and treatment, so as to preserve its luxuriance, vitality and color until late in life. Nature has supplied all man and womankind with a greater or less abundance of hair, and by proper care and treatment it should retain its vigor until the age of 60 or longer.

The hair falls out, gets thin, harsh dry, faded and prematurely gray from various causes, as prostrating illness, fevers, nervous prostration, excessive brain work, mental excitement, worn-out neuralgia, poor ventilation, excessive use of tobacco, dissipation, heavy headwear, which heats the scalp, the injudicious and indiscriminate use of ammonia and borax shampoo washes, so-called hair renewers, restorers and impure oils.

Physicians have neglected this branch of the profession because they are engaged in the more important events of life and death, and the public have fallen into the habit of consulting the barber and hair dresser about the hair and scalp. The hair is just as susceptible to proper treatment and yields as readily to the beneficial effects of scientific and properly administered remedies as chills and fever will yield to Quinia. No class of diseases require more judicious treatment nor more careful management than the hair, and it is surprising what results can be produced in seemingly hopeless cases.

BLESSINGS FOR THE BALD.

It is now within the power of almost any one to have a luxuriant growth of hair. Baldness is positively curable if the hair follicles are not destroyed. As incredible as the above assertion may appear to the ignorant it has been proven to an absolute cer-

tantly by a remarkable success in 20 years' practice by the author, Dr. Van Dyck.

PREMATURE BALDNESS.

The process of loss of hair may take place either rapidly in the course of weeks or months, or as is generally the case the loss is slow and gradual through a period of years. The hairs may commence to come out at any period after puberty, although baldness does not ordinarily begin to manifest itself until the age of 25 or 30 years. The scalp throughout the process appears to be healthy. At first only a few hairs come out from time to time, and these are replaced immediately by a shorter and finer growth of hair. Later these, in turn, are shed, and are succeeded by still finer hairs, and in the course of time even these cease to appear, when complete baldness of a certain portion of the scalp is the result. There may be an appearance of fine down, which proves that the hair follicles still exists, and can be made to produce healthy hair again by proper treatment. The prevalence of premature baldness among the young men and women of the present day is really surprising. Baldness is designated by the parts of the scalp affected. Thus we have Crown, Frontal, Part and Temple Baldness. The last two are so much dreaded by ladies.

CROWN BALDNESS.

This is the most frequent form of baldness, and

acquires the name from the top centre or crown being denuded of hair; is the most annoying and ludicrous of all forms of baldness.

FRONTAL BALDNESS.

This is loss of hair above the forehead, presents the appearance of the forehead extending to the crown. This form of baldness adds greatly to any one's age, is peculiarly annoying to ladies as well as gentlemen.

PART AND TEMPLE BALDNESS

affects ladies more frequently than gentlemen. The hair grows thin over the temples and where the hair is parted. Sometimes the part gets nearly half an inch in width.

The prevalence of baldness among both sexes in Washington is really surprising, nearly every third gentleman being at least partly bald. With its other prominent features Washington is truly becoming a city of baldness. Any one who will be observing will be surprised to see the number of young men who are quite youthful who are almost bald. Ladies are also greatly subject to loss of hair and baldness, but thanks to the art of the hair dresser, by the substitution of artificial tresses, they are able to disguise the fact.

SPOT BALDNESS.

This is a peculiar hair disease in which there is

paralysis of the hair producing power. The hair comes out in spots, the bald patches run together until the entire scalp is almost or completely denuded of hair—finally in many cases the eyebrows, eyelashes, the beard and the hair of the entire body falls out.

BALDNESS ASSOCIATED WITH SCALINESS IS CONTAGIOUS.

That form of baldness associated with scaliness, O. Lassar says is communicated from one person to another. When the hairs which fall off in such cases are collected, rubbed up with vaseline, and the ointment so made is rubbed among the fur of rabbits or white mice, baldness rapidly makes itself visible on the parts so treated. That this is not due to the vaseline was shown by anointing other animals with the vaseline alone, which produced no effect whatever. He considers that the disease is spread by hairdressers, who employ combs and brushes upon their customers' scalps, one after another, without any regular cleansing to these articles after each time they are used. During frequent visits to the hairdressers it can scarcely fail that brushes are used which have been shortly before used in dressing the hair of one affected with so common a complaint as scaly baldness. Females, he thinks are less often affected with this form of baldness, because the hairdresser more frequently attends to them at their own homes, and there uses their combs and brushes.

Among the many subjects connected with the cultivation of personal beauty there is nothing that absorbs so much time and attention as the hair, amongst both sexes, yet it is strange how prevalent is the ignorance as to its physiology, the means of keeping it in a healthy state, and the prevention of Diseases of the Hair.

Dr. J. Van Dyck, Dermatologist, has devoted 20 years of his life to the treatment of the hair, and is pleased to announce that he has perfected a treatment, and the only treatment in the world, that will absolutely cure baldness and produce a vigorous-luxuriant growth of hair in the most hopeless cases. This is a regular scientific course of treatment, which increases the action of the scalp, removing scalliness, hardened secretions, all irritations, and restores the vitality of the hair follicles to new vigor, never failing to produce a vigorous, healthy, luxuriant suit of hair. His treatment is the result of years of study and experience. If you have any affection of the hair or scalp don't rely on your own judgment, but consult Dr. Van Dyck at once. You can do so with every faith and confidence in his skill. He will examine your case carefully, and if the hair follicles are not positively destroyed he assures you a satisfactory growth of hair, but if the hair follicles are destroyed he will tell you so at once and will not treat you at any price.

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Skin Diseases.

The human family are subject to nearly 200 skin diseases, about 80 of which are common to America. The skin is a large secreting surface, containing millions of pores, sweat and oil glands, and through lymphatic and capillary vessels is intimately associated with the internal and vital system. We breathe and absorb pure air and absorb poisons through the skin the same as we inhale the air by the lungs. The skin is subject to certain diseases, which are hereditary or acquired, some are caused by animal, vegetable, mineral or medicinal poison. Some are caused by derangement of the stomach, liver, kidneys or the nervous system. Many are due to the rheumatic gout or neuralgic tendency. Skin diseases are often the result of fevers or prostrating illness, besides the Cutaneous lesions described under the head of Complexion Blemishes. There are numerous

skin diseases, the most frequent of which will be described under the head of

SYMPTOMS OF SKIN DISEASES.

ECZEMA-TETTER.

Eczema is an inflammatory non-contagious, acute or chronic skin disease; may last a few weeks, or months, or may occur at certain intervals for a life time; is generally termed a cold weather skin disease, is always worst during cold weather; is characterized at its commencement by tenderness, redness, heat, itching, pimples, blisters, pustules or a combination of all the symptoms, accompanied by more or less infiltration and ends in either a watery, weeping discharge, and the formation of moist yellow crusts, or dry white scales, the skin especially at the bend of the joints is dry, cracked, fissured, painful and sore.

In one case Eczema begins as follows: The skin becomes tender, inflamed, red, itchy and painful, later, perhaps, it develops into a moist excoriated patch, terminating in a thickened, dry, scaly surface.

In another case it will break out in the form of blisters or yellow pustules upon a red, inflamed surface. The blisters burst and the results are a red weeping, surface exuding a liquid gummy discharge which quickly dries into crusts. Eczema affects all classes and all ages, rich and poor and from infancy to old age. The various forms of Eczema according

to the parts affected are Eczema Capitis (the scalp), Aurum (the ear), Barba (the beard), Eczema Palpebrarum (the eyelids), Eczema Faci, Eczema Labia, (the lips), Eczema Intertrigo (the joints), Eczema Crurum (the legs), Palmar Eczema (the palms of the hands), Eczema Unguin (the nails). Besides these there are Infantile Eczema. Bankers', bakers', druggists', washerwomen's, bricklayers', bartenders', Eczema or Tetter of the hands and arms.

Eczema is the most frequent of all skin diseases and in some cases causes the most intolerable itching heat and pain.

WHITE ITCHY AND SCALY SCALP TETTER.

SYMPTOMS.—The scalp gets tender, itchy and thin, fine white scales form, which form again fast as removed, is an exceedingly annoying scalp affection as the least movement covers the shoulders with a shower of scales, and if neglected will ruin the finest suit of hair.

DRY SCALY TETTER.

In this case over the entire surface of the body, the skin is dry shriveled drawn and wrinkled, the hands and feet are cold and the skin in places, especially the limbs are covered with fine flour like scales. There is a marked harshness of the skin, and a total loss of moisture affects both sexes and all classes.

Palmar Tetter.—The palms of the hands gets

hard, dry, fissured, cracked, thickened, painful and sore.

Eczema of the Hands.—The skin gets inflamed, blisters, form, break and exude a gummy, sticky fluid, which quickly dries into crusts. There is always more or less heat, inflammation, blisters and swelling, the palms become excoriated, calloused and cracked, affects bankers, bakers, housewives, washerwomen, bricklayers, bartenders, druggists, and any one who are obliged to have their hands in the water a great deal.

Prurigo (Intense Itching)—Begins at night as soon as the clothing is removed, and is increased by the warmth of the bed. There is no eruption but that caused by scratching; is worst from the waist to the ankles; is a cold weather skin disease. When a paroxysm of the itching comes on you feel that you must scratch or go wild, affects people after middle life.

Our space will not permit the continuation of the symptoms of skin diseases. However, besides those described, the following are common to America, as Urticaria, Psoriasis, Elephantiasis, Ecthyma Ecthycosis [Acne Rosacea], Lepra Herpes, Erythema, Impetigo Lichen, Pityriasis, Erysipelas; also Wens Tumors, Cancers, Nævis, (Mothers' Marks) and Wine Marks, Enlarged Veins of the Nose. The above all rashes, blood and skin diseases, cutaneous discolora-

tions and deformities yield to true Dermatological skill.

Dr. Van Dyck, the author of this Treatise has devoted 20 years of his life to the study and treatment of skin diseases and has acquired a really remarkable skill in their treatment. The doctor is prepared to treat patients in any case within the scope of his specialty either at the office or by letter, and if his instructions are carried out faithfully a perfect cure can be the only result.

CATARRH.

SYMPTOMS.—A stopped up stuffy feeling in the head a partial closure of one or both nostrils, incessant blowing of the nose, constant hawking and spitting and dropping into the throat, frequently a fit of coughing in the morning, a frequent inclination to relieve the throat of accumulation of phlegm. Sometimes crusts form in the nose. There is often loss of smell and taste. The tendency of catarrh is to lead to Bronchitis, Consumption and Death.

Dr. Van Dyck has perfected a treatment which is positively specific in the permanent cure of catarrh.

[This article on catarrh is published by special request]

MEDICAL SPECIALTIES.

DERMATOLOGY.

It is a well-known fact that the concentration of

the mind [and the life-long application] upon one particular subject or object always results in a more thorough understanding, and a more complete mastery of everything connected with the subject. This is true in all vocations and professions, but it is especially observable in medical specialties. We all know that a physician who devotes his attention for life to the treatment of a certain class of diseases, can acquire a skill in the practice of his specialty which the general practitioner can never acquire. His pre-eminent skill is acknowledged by the masses, and physicians are seeing more and more every day the advisability of specialties. And we find too that the most eminent of the profession are those who practice particular specialties. To become pre-eminently successful in any special field of practice it requires the untiring devotion, and years of intense application.

Dr. Van Dyck, Dermatologist, and author of this Treatise, has devoted 20 years of his life to the practice of Dermatology, that branch of medical science which relates to the blood, skin and hair, their blemishes, defects and diseases. He has studied, analyzed and treated every form of rash, humor, eruption, blood and skin disease, blemish, defect and discoloration of the complexion and hair in existence until he has become almost perfect in their treatment. He is a regular graduate of medicine and surgery of the University of Pennsylvania, he enjoyed

the advantage of being the office student of the Professor of Surgery of the University. The office practice of his eminent preceptor and experience in the best hospital clinics in the United States and Europe, afforded him an excellent field for acquiring a thorough knowledge of the science of Dermatology as taught by the ablest corps of physicians and surgeons on the continent. Twenty years ago Dr. Van Dyck resigned a lucrative family practice in order to devote his time exclusively to the practice of his specialty. The Doctor enjoys the patronage of the *elite* of America. He has patients come to him for treatment from every State in the Union. He is now treating a lady at his Washington office for superfluous hair, who came from Paris, France, to place herself under the Doctor's treatment. If you wish treatment for any blemish, defect or disease described in this book you can consult Dr. Van Dyck for it [in person or by letter] with every confidence in his skill. He never publishes certificates of cures. Avoid all advertised lotions and beautifiers, don't rely on your own judgment for any skin disease, but consult the Dermatologist at once, same as you would consult the Dentist for your teeth, the Oculist for the eyes, &c.

POSTAL TREATMENT.

In connection with his extensive office practice, Dr. Van Dyck has established a correspondence department which enables him to successfully treat pa-

tients from all parts by letter. In consulting the Doctor by mail write him a full description and history of your case with your age, color of hair and eyes; married or single, and send with one dime in silver or two cent. stamps to Dr. J. Van Dyck, 22 Grant Place, Washington, D. C., and at once on receipt of same, the Doctor will write you what can be done in your case, and after receipt of the Doctor's letter in answer to yours, if you order treatment, give the address of your nearest express office and the treatment will be sent you by express securely packed and free from observation. The Doctor sends all his letters in a plain envelope. The 10 cents is to defray expense of stationery and time engaged in answering. The Doctor's mail is often 200 to 300 letters daily, which is a tax of time, patience and money.

COMPLEXION AND SKIN DEFORMITIES.

There are a number of cutaneous and complexion deformities which can scarcely be classed under the head of skin diseases, and are generally cases too, which require the greatest surgical and medical skill to successfully treat them. The most common deformities are

BIRTH MARKS,

Known by the name of Mother's Marks, Wine or Birth Marks. These are often seen as a red, pur-

phili, black or dark thickened or smooth, discolored spots, sometimes covering the entire cheek, and side of the face. In other cases, it involves the face, head, chin, nose and neck. They assume different colors, shapes and appearances. The author has seen them in different persons where they resembled a dog's foot, a strawberry, a hand, a grape, a mouse, and various forms. Some are covered with a heavy growth of hair. Dr. Van Dyck permanently and forever removes this hideous deformity by a scientific, harmless and painless operation. These marks, are of such a nature that they are sure to attract attention and to excite remarks.

POWDER MARKS

Are discolored marks caused by a premature explosion of gunpowder. The bluish discolorations are due to the chemical combination of certain ingredients of the powder and the secretions of the skin. Dr. Van Dyck also successfully removes this annoying facial deformity by a surgical process, a purely original method.

Moles, Warts, warty excrescences on the neck, eyelids and cheek; hard, white, pimple, tubercles, are all cutaneous deformities, which yield to true Dermatological skill.

WENS

Are soft movable tumors on the scalp, they vary in size, from a split pea to a large size egg.

EPITHELEOMA—SKIN CANCER.

Appears on the forehead, nose, hands and lip. Frequently appears first as a small pimple or scale, is picked or rubbed off and soon forms again getting larger, harder and deeper in time. Many have it for years without knowing what it is.

DISCOLORED SCARS •

Are frequently caused by a person falling, or being thrown from a horse or vehicle and having the hand or face lacerated, the skin torn off, and the dirt of the road-bed (or cinders as is often the case) becoming ground into the parts, causes when healed an unsightly discolored scar, which is frequently very disfiguring, the cheeks and nose are most frequently noticeably marked.

GOITRE

Is chronic inflammation and enlargement of the Thyroid gland. A gland of the neck covering the wind pipe, affects ladies more frequently than men, often enlarges to such an extent that the entire front of the throat is involved, interfering with breathing and speaking.

Hygienic Powders.

Dr. Van Dyck while disapproving of the use of Cosmetics, does approve of the use of a harmless face powder, which removes the excessive moisture and oiliness, and preserves the skin. By the request of a number of society ladies of Washington, Dr. Van Dyck has prepared a harmless hygienic face powder, and warrants it to contain nothing that is the least injurious or delicate as to the most sensitive and delicate skin. It is truly a complexion preserver, and will ward off the wrinkles and lines of premature age. Price 50 cents per box, by mail 60 cents. White, Olive and Rose tints. Ladies who wish to act as agents for it among their friends will be supplied with it for four dollars per doz., or 3 doz. for ten dollars.

DR. VAN DYCK'S

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REFERENCES.

CASES REPORTED FROM DR. VAN DYCK, OF PATIENTS
PRIVATE RECORD.

In the following report of cases I publish those which best illustrate the different classes of Skin, Complexion and Hair Blemishes.

Case I. A young lady aged 19, tall, and of fair complexion, health good, though having a predisposition to dyspepsia and occasional bilious attack, applied for treatment in June 1883, for a marked case of Acne. Her forehead, cheeks, and nose were literally covered with small inflamed pimples interspersed with Blackheads, associated with the Eruption was an excessive oiliness of the nose. She remained under treatment for three months, and was discharged perfectly cured with every sign of the disease removed.

Case II. Miss ———, aged 29, brunette quite stout consulted Dr Van Dyck at his Washington Office Nov 1882. had a heavy growth of black bristly hair on her upper lip, chin, throat, and cheeks. She inherited a general development of hair from her fathers family. The Doctor commenced operating in her case Nov. 15th and during this month removed 900 hairs by the Electric Needle process, Removed during Dec. 2000, Jan. 1883, 2200, Feb. 1500, March, 300, and during the months of April, May and June

lost nose, and to this day her face is perfectly free from hair.

Case III. Mrs. ——— of Washington D. C., age 48, weight 250 lbs., blonde, commenced treatment during the Spring of 1883, for a well defined mustache and a growth of bristly hairs on the chin. The history of her case is as follows as described by the patient: "About 30 years ago, about the time I first enjoyed society I had a few light hairs on my upper lip which were a trifle longer than the usual down. One night my eldest sister and I were preparing to attend a fashionable ball, I had my face powdered when one of my sisters noticed these few hairs and at once called for my gill, those cut which she did, and at the same time pulled just those hairs out of my chin. The result was they grew thicker and coarser than ever. I pulled them out again and again and had more or less cut each time. I went to a druggist (a friend of mine) and he recommended me to use a depilatory powder, which to my sorrow I was foolish enough to try. It cleaned the hairs from my face beautifully, but so they came again and where it erst there was merely down is now a crop of stiff wiry hairs. I could bear with the hair on my lip Doctor, but when it comes to a growth of chin whiskers, it is rather more than I can bear. The first time, months ago, Dr. Van Dyck removed all face hairs. She left Washington in June and returned in Aug. when he removed 500 more hairs, her face was now so nearly free from

hair that she went abroad in September and remained in Europe until March 1884, when the Doctor effected a complete cure of her case by removing about 20 straggling hairs.

Case IV. Mrs. ———, a married lady aged 35, the mother of 8 children, lived for a number of years in the South, consulted Dr. Van Dyck in the summer of '83 for Liver Spots. Her forehead over her eyes and extending to the roots of her hair, was almost completely covered with two liver spots, leaving a space (of about the size of a silver half dollar), in the very centre of her forehead, where the skin was its natural color. The discoloration was so deep and making such a marked contrast between it and the natural color of the skin, that it looked as if there was a white spot in the centre of her forehead. There were well defined spots on the temples, on the outer margin of the eye, and on the cheeks. Her neck was discolored presenting a soiled appearance. There was also a general sallow condition of the face, the skin was dry, her health was not good, troubled with Chronic Constipation and Indigestion. First month general health improved and spots showed a tendency to fade; second month, the health improving, and the spots almost disappeared; third month, health good, discoloration completely obliterated, complexion fresh and clear. The treatment was discontinued and the patient was pronounced cured. (This lady has sent Dr. Van Dyck three immediate

members of her family and more than twenty of her friends).

Case V. Miss ———, age 21, blonde, health good, began treatment with Dr. Van Dyck January, 1882, for a Stippled Skin, (by Stippled Skin we mean coarse deep pores mostly seen on the nose and cheeks). The pores in her case had become so large and coarse that it was really unsightly, and when she used powder, her skin looked pitted and there was such an oily exudation from the skin, that if she would press tissue paper upon her face it would at once become saturated with oil, the skin was relaxed and looked exactly as if it had been stuck full of pins, and after their withdrawal leaving the holes made by them. In this case Dr. Van Dyck used a purely original method of treatment, and after a course of a few months' treatment Miss ———'s skin became fine and smooth.

Case VI. Mr. ——— of Washington, age 18, habits irregular, an inveterate Cigarette smoker and an habitual tobacco chewer, says he is passionately fond of dancing and as a consequence devotes from 9 to 1 o'clock to that enjoyment 2 and 3 nights a week; consulted Dr. Van Dyck April, 1883, for (Acne and Comedones), Pimples and Blackhead. His entire face and neck and even the inside of the rim of his ears, were literally covered with pimples, and nearly every pimple was capped with a Black-

head. The glands of the skin were torpid and sluggish and the skin was constantly itchy, almost every pore of his face was affected, and he presented an exceedingly unpropitious appearance. Dr. Van Dyck placed him under an active course of treatment and in less than three months and at an expense not exceeding \$250, effected a permanent cure of him. Previous to his consulting Dr. Van Dyck he had expended over \$500 in the hopeless effort to obtain relief.

Case VII. Mr——, 50 or 55; health not good, nervous and could not sleep, applied for treatment at the winter of 1879, with Eczema extensively affected. It itched the backs and palms of the hands, and of the lower limbs, the backs of his hands, and in patches and covered with yellow, moist crusts, pustules, and with dry scaly patches. The burning and itching at times were intolerable, blisters would form, burst and form a moist excoriated patch. The palms were thickened, reddened, fissured, cracked, painful and sore, the fingers sometimes were almost immovable. The skin on his lower limbs from the knees to the groin, was dry rough, corrugated and covered with a thick mass of scales, so that when he would rise in the morning there would be a large handful of scales in his bed. From his knees to his ankles, the disease presented a very different appearance. Here blisters formed over the entire surface, would break, and form a moist weeping surface on which thick yellow crusts

would come. The final was of a violent, stormy nature and would not continue the morning it came in contact with him. Here was a case which presented several different forms of Eczema at the same time. His sufferings were intense, and his life was miserable on account of this dreadful skin trouble. It has appeared regularly every fall for 34 years, even as the first frost appeared and would last until warm weather. Dr. Van Dyck took his case Dec. 1879, and treated him with the greatest regularity for six months. The first noticeable improvement was cessation of the itching and a more comfortable feeling was experienced. By the patient, he could sleep better, the soreness had begun to disappear, he found that he could use his hands without pain, and by the first of May all signs of the disease had disappeared.

The Doctor requested him to report every month or two which he did. The Winter of 1880, he came to the Doctor and left treated with a slight return of the disease on the back of one of his hands which disappeared in a month. The winters of 1882 and 1883, he passed in Minnesota and was exposed to the coldest weather and paid Dr. Van Dyck a second visit in Washington, in Jan. 1884 and had not had the slightest return of the disease since 1880. This gentleman occupies a distinguished position in the U. S. Army, and has recommended a great many brother officers and officers families to consult Dr. Van Dyck.

Case VIII. Mr. ———, aged 42, consulted Dr.

Van Dyck in 1883, for Chronic Redness of the Nose. His nose, 25 years ago commenced to show the slightest tendency to flushing and heat; he was annoyed with Comedones (Blackheads), which he would squeeze out. The nose continued to increase in redness year after year, tortuous and convoluted veins began to appear on the end of the nose until he was obliged to carry the visible signs of dissipation and convivial habits while he was most abstemious.

He was subject to daily ridicule and could scarcely appear on the street without hearing such remarks, as, 'Aint that a run nose; Wonder what it cost to paint that sign; He's got his lights out, &c. &c. He was a gentleman of a very sensitive nature, and his life was a burden to him, on account of his facial deformity, and when he consulted Dr. Van Dyck he was on the verge of insanity. He said "Doctor I want you to examine my case, and I want you to tell me the truth. If you can cure me I want you to do so, irrespective of the cost; but if you cannot, tell me so and I will go and blow my brains out and end it, for positively I cannot and will not endure this any longer. I often walk my room for hours and hours at night and think, my God, why should I be afflicted in this manner; to think that I cannot go on the streets in day-light without being pointed out and my appearance commented on. I have consulted a number of eminent family Physicians but you are the first one that I consulted that makes a specialty of

treating the skin. Some pronounced it Nasal Erythema, some called it Acne Rosacea, one doctor said it was Chronic Erysipelas, &c. Dr. Van Dyck commenced treating him December, 1883, and performed as many as twelve operations on his nose, besides treating him constitutionally and locally and today there is not the least signs of the disease, and he is not ashamed to meet any one.

Case IX. Mrs. —, aged 32, consulted Dr. Van Dyck in 1881 for Liver Spots. There was a marked discolored spot on the forehead, one on each temple and a discolored line around her mouth, which was so noticeable that her friends frequently told her that she had forgotten to wash her face. Her neck was also discolored, giving it a soiled look. She also had dark lines around her eyes. In a few months time Dr. Van Dyck removed every vestige of the discoloration, making her complexion fair, pure and clear.

Case X. Miss —, brunette, aged 20, consulted Dr. Van Dyck in 1860 for moles on her face, neck and breast. She had as many as 09 moles. There were white, red and hair moles in nearly equal proportion. Dr. Van Dyck permanently removed every mole without leaving the slightest trace, (by the operation of Electrolysis, the Electric Needle Process).

Case XI. Mr. —, age 29, general health

good, he then consulted the doctor for a Birth Mark on his neck, it disfigured his appearance very much. Dr. Van Dyck removed it in 26 treatments without leaving the slightest trace of it.

Case XII. Mr. ———, aged 19 years, consulted Dr. Van Dyck in July, 1882, for a number of Powder Marks on his face. Five years before consulting the doctor he was participating in a Fourth of July jubilee and had his face terribly lacerated by the premature discharge of a miniature cannon. A number of the grains of powder penetrated very deeply and when his face healed a number of discolored scars remained, looking exactly as if his face had been tattooed with India ink. By a skillfully and painlessly performed series of operations, Dr. Van Dyck permanently removed the discoloration, without leaving the least mark.

Case XIII. Mr. ———, aged 29, general health good, six years ago he noticed that his hair began to come out quite freely; other hairs would grow in but were finer and weaker. This state of affairs continued until in 1883, when he consulted Dr. Van Dyck for Premature Baldness. The entire crown was almost completely bald, being partially covered with very fine down. The scalp was dry and to a certain extent scaly; he also complained of a constant heat and itching of the scalp. In laying your hand on his head an unnatural heat was at once very

perceptible. Dr. Van Dyck placed him under an active course of treatment, and in six months time his scalp was covered with a fine growth of brown, healthy hair and he discontinued the treatment in one year with a satisfactory suit of hair.

Case XIV. Miss ———, blonde, age 27, general health poor, consulted Dr. Van Dyck in 1872, for Scaly Scalp. Ejected of 8 years duration. She noticed first that her scalp became tender, inflamed and finally fine white scales formed again as fast as removed. Upon the least movement her clothing would be covered with a shower of scales, finally her hair began to fall out and when she pulled on the Dye or her hair was so thin that the part, and temples were almost bald. Dr. Van Dyck treated her at his Office once a week besides furnishing her with all necessary home treatment and effected a thorough cure in her case in less than six months.

Case XV. Miss ———-blonde, age 19, hair and complexion very fair, eyebrows so imperfectly developed that they would be almost imperceptible without artificial coloring, eyelashes were short irregular and very fine. Dr. Van Dyck commenced treating her during the summer of '81. And after the use of his treatment for one year there was the most satisfactory change effected in her appearance. Now her eyelashes are long, heavy, curved and perfectly beautiful and her eyebrows are thick and uniform.

Case XVI. Mrs. ———, aged 42, a fashionable society lady of Washington, in 1882, consulted Dr. Van Dyck for her hands, they were red, harsh, dry, and presented a general soiled appearance. She removed her gloves the first morning she called on the Doctor and held up her hands and said Doctor just look at my hands, to look at them one would think I did the hardest kind of work, they look and feel like the hands of a woman who sweeps washes and scrubs and yet I don't have to do a thing. I even have a maid to dress me. Dr. Van Dyck treated her successfully, in a short time her hands became white, fresh, soft, pure, clean, flexible and agreeable to the touch.

Case XVII. Mrs. ——— brought a member of her family to Dr. Van Dyck for treatment in 1881, the patient was a young miss of fifteen, brunette, complexion very dark, she had a growth of heavy black hairs (at least 2 inches long) on her chin and sides of her face she was a dermatological curiosity. In 30 sittings Dr. Van Dyck removed 1100 hairs, she then returned to her home in New Orleans before the operation was complete, the following summer she visited the north and remained in Washington one month and had 900 hairs removed, on her return to the south she visited the Doctor in Washington and was happy to show him that she was completely freed from the obnoxious growth of hair, and nothing but the very finest down was apparent which is natural on every ladies face.

Case XVIII. Miss Lee of Washington consulted Dr. Van Dyck last year for her hair and here is what she says about the result of the Doctors treatment.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dec. 17th 1883.

DR. J. VAN DYCK,

DEAR SIR :

It is now two months since I applied to you for treatment to stop my hair from falling out and to removed excessive Dandruff that was to me a great source of annoyance. It gives me pleasure to tell you that I am more than delighted with the result; especially when I compare the few hairs (rarely more than half a dozen) that I now gather after the daily combing, with the quantity that used to fall out before you treated me. I must gratefully acknowledge that I have at length found what I have been in need of for the past ten years, a true hair treatment. During the above length of time I was rapidly losing a naturally luxuriant and beautiful suit of hair, and after having used a number of so-called tonics, either without any effect or worse still with an injurious effect, I became discouraged and determined never to try anything else. Some explanations and symptoms, regarding falling of the hair, diseases of the scalp, &c., which I read in your very satisfactory advertisements, induced me to consult you. After eight visits to your office my scalp is entirely free from dandruff, my hair is growing thick and long, and is also regaining its original color. Knowing

that you never refer any one to your patients, I request you to make any use of this letter that you may desire. Not for your benefit alone, but also for the benefit of many persons like myself, who may be discouraged in the use of advertised tonics; but who would gladly go through a course of treatment, that would certainly improve and restore one of woman's loveliest personal adornments.

Believe me, truly yours,

MISS LEE.

Many of the most annoying complexion blemishes can be prevented by systematic care and management of the skin. Upon the receipt of \$1 Dr. Van Dyck will send you full instructions about the proper care and management of the complexion, how and when to bathe the skin, the proper use of soaps; also a recipe to soften the skin, to keep the complexion clear and to prevent and cure chapping and roughness. For \$3 he will send you a treatment by express either for your complexion, skin or hair prepared especially for your case, sufficient to last you for one month. This is for parties who are unable to call for office treatment, and for cases where there is no real disease, where they wish the complexion improved, &c. In each letter you write to the Doctor, always enclose stamps or 10 cents silver.

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